

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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SUBJECT: Review of the Site-Specific Work Plans for the National Dioxin Study

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My staff has reviewed the following workplans:

Tier 3 site - C J. Martin Co. (TDWR)

This plan shows improvement over those previously reviewed. However, the sampling rationale includes only a description of the sample locations. A true rationale would include a logical basis for why those sampling locations were selected (within the targeted area) after consideration of the existing information on the site characteristics and the compound(s) to be studied. Also no discussion is provided on the determination of sample number.

Tier 5 - Rio Grande Plan Resource Area (TDA)

This plan lists "Sample Splits Requested by Facility", on page 3, but has no description of QA/QC samples on page 4. The only sampling rationale provided is the plot description and grid diagram. More information on the logical basis for selection is needed. Also the methods by which sample number and random plots will be determined should be included.

If you have any questions on these comments please call Linda Kirkland at 7-9791.

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